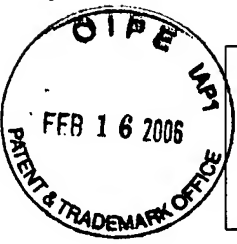


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This communication is in response to the Office Action dated October 12, 2005 for the above referenced patent application and is being submitted with a petition for a one-month extension of time. This paper is being submitted on or before its current due date of February 13, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this document.

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